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TOPIC	Military Activity in Weimar and Erfurt		
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REMARKS			
This is UNEVALUATED Information.			

1. Between 19 and 28 October 1954, the following personnel exchange movements were observed at the Weimar and Erfurt railroad stations:

19 October:

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At 0800, 30 discharges arrived at Weimar on the regular fast train from the direction of Gera.

At 0832, 15 discharges arrived at Weimar from the direction of Leipzig.

At 0900, an undetermined number of discharges were entrained at Weimar on 30 to 35 boxcars.

At 1130, 30 discharges arrived at Weimar.

At 1435, 38 soldiers with artillery insignia departed from Weimar and went toward Erfurt. The soldiers wore new uniforms and carried submachine guns and small field packs. Although the soldiers were older than the usual recruits, they acted as if they were in the GDR for the first time.

At 1530, a troop train of 25 boxcars stood at the Erfurt freight station. Most of the cars were occupied by discharges.

20 October:

at 1800, 50 to 60 soldiers of older classes carrying rifles and small field pack left Weimar and went toward Erfurt.

At 1900, the same troop train which was observed at Erfurt at 1530 on 19 October was side-tracked at the Weimar railroad station.

21 October.

At 0900, 48 soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia arrived at Weimar from the direction of Halle

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At 0910, 9 discharges with handbags left Weimar and went toward Gera.

22 October.

At 0645, about 150 discharges arrived at Weimar. The soldiers were picked up by trucks and driven to the barracks installations.

At 0845, 45 soldiers arrived at Weimar on a train which came from the direction of Halle. The train was redispached to Erfurt where about 200 soldiers with black-bordered red epaulets left the train and boarded the regular train to Gotha which departed at 1020. The 200 soldiers were apparently discharges.

26 October.

At 0800, 40 discharges arrived at Weimar on the fast train from the direction of Gera. They were picked up by trucks and driven toward the barracks installation.

27 October.

At 0741, about 150 recruits left Weimar toward Halle on the regular passenger train, while another 70 recruits waited for their entraining.

28 October.

At 0800, 150 discharges went from the Weimar railroad station to the Tannenberg Kaserne.

At 1050, 150 discharges arrived at Weimar on a regular passenger train from the direction of Gera. The soldiers were picked up by trucks and driven to the Tannenberg Kaserne.

At 1100, 50 soldiers of older classes carrying submachine guns and small field pack left Weimar toward Erfurt on the regular passenger train.

At 0856, an undetermined number of recruits arrived at Weimar on six cars which were coupled to the regular passenger train from the direction of Halle. The soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets marched from the railroad station to the Tannenberg Kaserne. At the same time, 100 recruits departed toward Erfurt.

At 0910, three boxcars and a coach with recruits were dispatched from Weimar toward Jena.

2. Previous observations on the personnel exchange movement in Weimar indicated that the Tannenberg Kaserne (8502) was used as distributing point for replacements, while the Luettendorfer Kaserne (8503) was processing center for discharges.

Comment. The observation supplements previous information on the personnel exchange movement in Weimar.

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